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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE


In re application of:)
H. KAWABATA et al.)
Serial No: 09/358,755)
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For: NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING)
TRANSFERRIN RECEPTOR-LIKE PROTEINS)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of this Continued Prosecution Application, please enter and consider the following amendment and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-2, 5-9, 11, 19, and 24-42 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new claims 43-71 as follows:

43. (New) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide having a sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1;
- (b) an amino acid sequence encoded by the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2;
- (c) an amino acid sequence encoded by the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3.